GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Endowments Department – Certain allegations of irregularities and misappropriation of temple funds against Sri A.Sriramulu, former Deputy Executive Engineer, Sri Bramarambha Mallikarjuna Swamy Devasthanam, Srisailam, Kurnool District (now retired) - Departmental action for violation of Conduct Rules – Inquiry – Charge Proved – Punishment of 10% cut in pension permanently under Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980 – Imposed - Orders – Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.539 **Dated: 05-05-2016**
Read the following :

1.From DG, V&E Dept, VR No.125 (690/V&E/E2/2003), dt.01-12-2003.
2.From DG, ACB, AP, Hyd, Lr.No.148/RCO-KUR/2004, dt.30-12-2005.
3.G.O.Rt.No.1421, Rev (Vig.IV) Department, dt.27-06-2006 (AOCs).
4.From Sri A.Sriramulu, Dy.Ex.Eng, dt.26-1-07, Srisailam Devastanam(WSD).
5.G.O.Rt.No.1591, Rev (Vig.IV) Department, dated 16-11-2010.
6.From GA (COI-JR) Dept, DO.Lr.No.550/COI.JR/10, dt.08-07-2011 (IR).
7.Govt.Memo No.50240/Vig.IV(1)/2003-17, dt.26-07-2011.
8.Rep.dt.23-09-2011 of Sri A.Sriramulu, Dy.Ex.Engg, Srisailam Devastanam.
9.Govt.Memo No.50240/Vig.IV(1)/2003-21, dt.24-08-2012 (SCN).
10.Rep.dt.12-11-2012 of Sri A.Sriramulu, Dy.Ex.Engg, Srisailam Devastanam.
11.Govt.Letter No.50240/Vig.IV(1)/2003, dt.19-03-2015.
12.From the Prl.Secretary, APPSC, Letter No. 298/RT/1/2015, dt.20-02-2016.

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O R D E R:

Whereas in the references 1st and 2nd read above, it has been brought to the notice of Government that certain irregularities have taken place in the execution of construction works of Ganga Gouri Sadanam (100 rooms Choultry), Neeru-Meeru works (Checkdams, Percolation tanks), Horticulture taken up by Sri Bramarambha Mallikarjuna Swamy Devasthanam, Srisailam, Kurnool District and recommended to initiate disciplinary action against Sri A.Sriramulu, Deputy Executive Engineer, of subject temple and 9 others.

2. And whereas Government after examining the proposal, have initiated disciplinary action against Sri A.Sriramulu, Deputy Executive Engineer and framed the following charges against him vide reference 3rd read above :

Charge–I : that the Charged Officer while working as Executive Officer in the subject temple during the period from 04-12-1997 to 31-12-2002 has committed grave misconduct in as much as in connivance with others had executed the works of providing furniture, construction of compound wall and C.C.Foot path, car parking and construction of compound wall to Ganga Gouri Sadanam 100 rooms Choultry-2 blocks at Srisailam against to the procedure.

Charge–II : that the Charged Officer while working as Executive Officer in the subject temple during the period from 04-12-1997 to 31-12-2002 has committed grave misconduct in as much as in connivance with others had executed the works under "Neeru-Meeru" scheme against to the procedure without getting prior approval of estimates both administratively and technically from the competent authority.

3. And whereas Government after examining the Written Statement of Defence submitted by the Charges Officer in the reference 4th read above have entrusted the case to Commissioner of Inquiries and appointed the Inquiry Authority, vide reference 5th read above to enquire into the charges framed against him along with other charged officers. The Commissioner of Inquiries which inquired into the charges have submitted the Inquiry Report, vide reference 6th read above, observing that the contention of the Charged Officer that the scheme was taken up on priority

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basis and that the Commissioner of Endowments has instructed not to wait for approval of estimates to ensure positive results is not tenable as the works are taken up with the funds floated in the temple by donations from hundi collections and they are answerable for each and every rupee, hence held the charges framed against Sri A.Sriramulu, Deputy Executive Engineer, as proved. The Inquiry Report has been communicated to the Charged Officer vide reference 7th read above to submit his representation. The Charged Officer has submitted the representation, vide reference 8th read above, denying the charges and requested to drop further action. In the meantime, Charged Officer had retired from service on superannuation.

4. And whereas Government after examining the matter have provisionally decided to impose a punishment of 10% cut in pension permanently against him under rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980. Accordingly, a Show Cause Notice has been issued to Sri A.Sriramulu, Deputy Executive Engineer (now Retd), vide reference 9th read above to submit his representation. The Charged Officer has submitted representation vide reference 10th read above re-iterating the contents earlier stated by him and requested to drop further action against him.

5. Government have examined the matter in detail keeping in view the representation submitted by Charged Officer and decided to confirm the provisional decision to impose a punishment of 10% cut in pension permanently against Sri A.Sriramulu, Deputy Executive Engineer (now Retd) as he has not put forth any new grounds for consideration. The concurrence of the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission has been obtained in the reference 12th read above (copy enclosed).

6. Accordingly, Government hereby order to impose a punishment of 10% cut in pension permanently against Sri A.Sriramulu, Deputy Executive Engineer (now Retd) under rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

7. The Commissioner, Endowments shall take necessary further action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

J.S.V.PRASAD
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri A.Sriramulu, Deputy Executive Engineer, Sri Bramarambha Mallikarjuna Swamy Devasthanam, Srisailam, Kurnool District (now Retd)
through the Commissioner, Endowments, A.P, Hyderabad.
The Commissioner, Endowments, A.P, Hyderabad.
(with a request to serve the order on the individual and send the served copy with dated signature to Government)

Copy to:
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, AP Vigilance Commission, Hyd.
The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, AP., Hyderabad.
The Director General, General Admn. (V&E) Dept., A.P.Secretariat, Hyd.
The Principal Secretary, A.P. Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.
The Accountant General, AP, Hyderabad.
The Director, Treasuries & Accounts, A.P, Hyderabad.
The Deputy Commissioner, Endowments Department, Srikakulam/Kurnool.
The Revenue (Endt.I) Department.
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SECTION OFFICER